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Executive Board Meeting

Kenefick Southern Baptist Church

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

**6:00 P.M.—Fellowship Meal, 6:30 P.M.—Business Meeting
7:00 P.M. Easter Emphasis Program**

**SECRET
CHURCH™**
KNOW HIS WORD. KNOW HIS PERSECUTED.

SIMULCAST

First Baptist Church, Liberty

Friday, April 18, 2014, 6:00 P.M. to Midnight

Cost of \$10.00 includes study guide and snacks
Call the Association Office at 936/336-9232 to make a reservation. Deadline for reservation and payment is April 10. (This is to be sure we have a study guide for you.)



Mission Journey

I can relate to Abram who obeyed God's call to "go to the land I will show you." God's call to Trinity River Baptist Association required us to leave our "hometown" of 34 years, our house of 27 years and our church family of 24 years. Donna Kay and I came to a place we didn't know to serve with people we didn't know.

What an exciting adventure and opportunity the Lord has given us!

During my first two months I have driven throughout most of the area covered by our association, seen most of our church buildings and been inside several of them for Sunday morning worship, Wednesday evening meetings or special events. Names that had tripped up my tongue are now tripping off my tongue -- Daisetta, Devers, Hankamer, Anahuac, Kenefick. I'm beginning to drive to places without help from Google maps. I'm recognizing people and even remembering some of their names. We've found the shortcut to Walmart from the association office and made the drive to Atascocita, Humble and Kingwood when we needed Lowe's, Target or Sam's.

We are becoming Libertarians, or whatever it is we call people who live in Liberty, Texas.

And we're loving it.

Most of all we are loving the people we are having the privilege of getting to know -- people we would never have met (until heaven) had God not called us to serve in this association.

By the way, you may not know how special, how unique our association is. We have a reputation for being one of the most tight-knit associations in Texas. I've already recognized that as I have seen the way the pastors and people know one another and care for one another. It is exciting to me to be leading an association where people understand what "associating" is all about.

What can you do for six hours?

If you don't have Good Friday plans at your church, please join us at First Baptist Liberty for the Secret Church Simulcast, 6 p.m. to midnight.

Don't let the time frame scare you. You've been to other events that lasted six hours. You've driven six hours to get somewhere. You do something for six hours every day of your life. Why not spend six hours on Good Friday in a Bible study on "The Cross and Everyday Life"?

Don't let the word "midnight" scare you. If you can't possibly stay up that late, no one will stop you from going home early.

Sponsored by TRBA, First Liberty and Wild Country Mission, the event is a video simulcast that will be viewed by more than 50,000 people around the world. It will include intense Bible teaching by David Platt, pastor of The Church at Brook Hills in Birmingham, Ala., and best-selling Christian author of *Radical* and *Follow Me: A Call to Die, A Call to Live*.

We will be digging into what the Bible says about the impact of the cross on our day-to-day lives. You may not have thought about it like this, but from the moment we wake up in the morning to the moment we go to bed at night, the death of Jesus on the cross makes a difference. The cross is able to transform and empower the most mundane things of our lives and make them into something that can bring glory to God. It changes the decisions we make, the way we schedule our time, how we relate to people, the way we do our jobs, and the way we view sports, entertainment, hobbies, leisure and rest. I'm excited to hear what David Platt says as he leads us in this intense study of God's Word.

The \$10 registration fee covers your study guide and refreshments. To be sure you receive a study guide, please register and bring your money to TRBA by Apr. 10.

Taking up my cross daily, David Williams

Please pray for our PASTORLESS CHURCHES

Huffman Covenant, First Concord, First Dayton, First High Island, First Hull, First Sour Lake, Oak Island, & Smith Point

Family Visitor Center April Schedule

April 5 (Sat.)

a.m. Mendoza & Longoria; p.m. Dosier & Skinner

April 6 (Sun.)

a.m. Hinch & Gault; p.m. Snell & Catchings

April 12 (Sat.)

a.m. Clark & Shivers; p.m. Barefield & Miller

April 13 (Sun.)

a.m. Presnalls; p.m. King & Nichols

April 19 (Sat.)

a.m. Davis & Goff; p.m. Hortmans

April 20 (Sun.)

a.m. Radley & Downey; p.m. Baldrigues

April 26 (Sat.)

LaPort Methodist All Day

April 27 (Sun.)

a.m. Smarts; p.m. Herring & Morales



Defining Moments

"But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15b

WMU of Texas Annual Meeting
And Missions Celebration

April 4-5, 2014

First Baptist Georgetown

Registration is \$20. per person

www.wmutx.org

or 888-968-6389

In the Churches

We asked churches about their special Easter events and here's what they told us:

Central Daisetta: Lord's Supper on Easter morning; participating in community Easter Egg Hunt at the elementary school the day before Easter

First Devers: Last Days of Christ, 7-10 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Apr. 18-19; Rendered Hearts music concert during Easter morning worship

Pathways: Children's mini-drama and special message on Easter

Oak Island: Sunrise service

North Main: Sunrise service in outdoor amphitheater; Easter Brunch; children help decorate the "Cross of Flowers"; Easter message during morning worship; Lord's Supper during evening worship

First Liberty: Participating in Liberty Ministerial Alliance Sunrise Service at Liberty Municipal Park; Sanctuary Choir presentation of "Jesus is Alive" during morning worship

Old River: Saturday evening and two Sunday morning services (no Sunday School and no evening service on Easter); partnering with the city's Apr. 12 Egg Hunt at Mont Belvieu City Park, doing balloons, face art and sausage on a stick

First Dayton: Special Easter Sunday choir

House of Living Waters: Passover Seder meal at 7 p.m., Monday, Apr. 14; First Fruits celebration at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 20.

Heights: Participating in Liberty Ministers United's sunrise service at Liberty City Park's basketball pavilion

Iglesia Nuevo Amanecer: Worship service followed with fellowship

Pastors' Potluck

David and Donna Kay Williams are inviting **senior pastors and their families** to join them for either a potluck lunch (11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) or dinner (6:30-8:30 p.m.) on Friday, March 28 at the TRBA office. Bring any dish (vegetable, salad, or dessert) to go with fried chicken. Please call to let us know you're coming. Here's who we have heard from:

Lunch

Lee and Linda Gruver, Batson Prairie

Jim and Beth Murray, Gum Grove

Tim and Dee Ann Gruver, Heights

Dick and Sue Lintelman, North Main

Dinner

Mike and Debra Cotie, South Dayton

Rick, Kendra and Colby Edwards, First Devers

Tony and Denyse Hines, Hardin

Carlton and Dianna Bailey, Mount Calvary

Chuck and Kay Fountain, House of Living Waters

Ken and Jennifer Davis, Calvary, Dayton

Bruce and Kathy Crosby, West End, Saratoga



*San Jacinto Association "Lake Tomahawk" Fish Fry
April 10, 2014, 10:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M.*

Entertainment: The Harris Family

Call your local church to register. Churches call SJA at 281-422-3604 by April 4.

Trinity River Baptist Association

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Address Service Requested



IMPORTANT

Trinity River Baptist
Association Executive
Board Meeting, Kenefick
Southern Baptist Church,
Dayton, Tuesday, April 8,
6:00 P.M.

RECEIPTS FEBRUARY 2014

	<u>Feb 14</u>	<u>Jan - Feb 14</u>
Batson Prairie	424.00	948.00
Berean Tabernacle	0.00	100.00
Calvary, Dayton	400.00	800.00
Calvary, Liberty	262.91	546.35
Center, Thicket	47.00	200.00
Central Daisetta	0.00	261.95
Central, Liberty	95.63	316.06
Covenant	0.00	90.44
Eminence	0.00	292.00
First Anahuac	833.33	1,666.66
First Batson	400.00	800.00
First Concord	0.00	45.57
First Dayton	1,112.33	1,112.33
First Devers	718.96	1,119.90
First High Island	140.22	140.22
First Hull	397.08	397.08
First Liberty	2,108.54	4,345.23
First Saratoga	470.63	931.47
First Sour Lake	644.76	1,582.08
Grace Community	0.00	1,000.00
Grayburg	646.18	798.99
Gum Grove	0.00	30.96
Hardin Baptist	1,009.85	2,549.66
Heights	1,404.21	1,404.21
House of Living Waters	218.53	218.53
Kenefick Southern	575.81	1,181.16
Mt Calvary	621.49	1,301.39
North Main	1,200.00	2,400.00
Oak Island	23.74	23.74
Old River	2,333.34	2,333.34
Pathways	131.00	282.00
Primera Dayton	75.00	150.00
Smith Point	61.77	99.21
South Dayton	106.77	171.99
Sweet Home	0.00	205.00
Trinity	100.00	200.00
West End	407.00	874.00
Whispering Meadows	244.35	445.80
Wild Country Mission	0.00	392.80
Interest	6.54	23.25
TOTAL	<u>17,220.97</u>	<u>31,781.37</u>